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SKY NO LIMIT

Pioneer Aerospace Firm Marks 25th Anniversary

The man who said "the sky's the limit" might have been talking about the 25-year progress of the AirResearch Manufacturing Co. of Los Angeles.

AirResearch is observing its 25th anniversary this week as a major company in the growing Southern California aerospace industry.

Like the aerospace equipment which the company produces, AirResearch, too, has soared upward from the two-man shop on Melrose Avenue in Hollywood. Today, the firm is one of the largest manufacturers and employers in the industry.

THE EFFECT of the growth and developments that have originated in the laboratories of the AirResearch Co. has been worldwide. Products built at the firm's two locations—International Airport and Torrance—are aboard virtually every airliner and military craft now flying in the free world.

Like the firm and its products, the economy of the Southwest has soared, too. Each week, more than \$570,000 is poured into the area through the company payroll. Nearly 5,000 Southwest residents are employed in the two facilities. Another \$750,000 per week is expended through the purchase of

goods and services from local businesses and vendors.

AirResearch and its parent organization, The Garrett Corp., have often been referred to as "a successful business created out of thin air."

WHILE THIS does not adequately describe all the elements accounting for its rapid rise in aviation, space and industry, it does give a clue to the reason why AirResearch has become a leading developer and manufacturer of environmental control systems for aircraft and manned spacecraft. In this sense the company literally created a business which never existed before—a business providing cabin pressurization and air conditioning for aircraft without which the high altitude, high speed jet flights common today would not be possible.

AirResearch founders, the late J. C. "Cliff" Garrett and Walt Ramsauer, now executive vice president, as far back as 1938 realized that man could go no faster or higher without pressurization. Keeping this idea in mind they established AirResearch. Their first endeavor was to design and build heat transfer equipment for the surrounding Southern California aircraft industry. Their ven-

ture was immediately successful. Within two years the company had moved to larger quarters at its present site at the Los Angeles Airport.

IT WAS HERE that research in collaboration with the Boeing Airplane Co. culminated in the development of the cabin pressure regulator. AirResearch was destined to be the sole supplier of this vital instrument for the famous Boeing B-29 Superfortress, the only pressurized aircraft to fly during World War II.

The AirResearch equipped B-29, first production aircraft to be pressurized, was a milestone in the history of aviation and a forerunner of things to come. All postwar airplanes were to be henceforth built for pressurization. Today, 90 per cent of the free world's aircraft carry AirResearch environmental systems. Planes like the Boeing 707 and 727, the Douglas DC-9 and Lockheed Electra carry passengers comfortably at 30-40,000 feet at speeds approaching the speed of sound using AirResearch equipment. Tomorrow's supersonic transports will be able to fly and support life at 60-80,000 feet.

BUT EVEN while advancing the science of aeronautics, AirResearch has soared out of the atmosphere and developed environmental systems for spacecraft. The life support systems which enabled the Mercury astronauts to survive in the deadly environment of space were designed and built by AirResearch. Similar systems are now being developed for Projects Gemini and Apollo which will some day carry men to the moon.

While maintaining its 25-year leadership in aircraft environmental controls and life support systems for space vehicles, AirResearch has also branched out into related fields, Cryogenics, life sciences, missile systems, heat transfer, electromechanical, aircraft instruments and vehicular computing and control systems are all major product lines at AirResearch which contribute substantially to its broad product structure and diversification.

What the next quarter century will bring is unknown—but for AirResearch the sky will be no limit.



RECOGNIZED FOR WORK . . . Special recognition has been extended to a group of Torrance residents who have contributed to the newest publication of the Torrance Unified School District. The new book, "History of Torrance," was written for use in the instructional program. Copies and a resolution of appreciation from the schools were presented to (front row) Harry Dolley,

Mrs. Gertrude Aldershof, Richard R. "Dick" Smith, and Mrs. Louis Lanzer, and (back row) Mrs. Harry Dolley, Mrs. Rose Saunders, Glenn W. Pfeil, William A. "Dick" Felker, and Art Reeves. Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts made the presentations on behalf of the Board of Education. She is vice president of the board.

(Press-Herald Photo)

'Oldtimers,' Civic Leaders Saluted at TEAC Meeting

Some very special people were honored by the Torrance schools Monday during a noon meeting of the Torrance Education Advisory Committee.

The honored guests received a copy of the district's newest publication—"History of Torrance"—and a certificate of appreciation for service and leadership. The group was instrumental in developing the district's local history book, which will be used in the instructional program.

HEADING the list was Mrs. Gertrude Aldershof, a curriculum consultant for the city schools. Mrs. Aldershof spearheaded the drive to write the local history, working with pioneer residents and members of several city organizations.

Realtors Add Four To Ranks

Four Realtors were given memberships to operate real estate offices by the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors at recent luncheon ceremonies.

Four new "Class A" Realtors are Manget Griffith, of Griffith Realty; Milt Isbell, of Isbell Realty; Frank Peter Van Heule, of Frank Van Heule Realty, and Jack H. Hamsher, of Arrow Realty.

SALESMEN members given memberships at brief luncheon ceremonies were Frank J. Adamo, Bertha G. Apsey, John Finley Baughman, Donald M. Boles, Margaret T. Dailey, Jacqueline A. Dowling, David L. Drysdale.

Osiris Escobar, Ronald C. Frogget, Elwood Green, Robert P. Hall, Ethel Ann Harrison, Henry W. Hatch, Harold E. Henley, Ruyssyn C. Hernandez, Ivey F. Hines, Billy C. Hopkins, James R. F. Hutton, Ellen Johnson.

Gene Leonard Larson, Robert D. Looney, Daniel J. Lynch, Reva O. Mathews, Lillian E. Meers, Howard T. Miles, James O'Brien, Ruth E. Osborne, Zelma F. Owen, Clara Ann Porter, Leonard R. Robbins.

James A. Ross, Gordon E. Schwecke, Gerald Snodderly, Rose Westergard, Lois L. Williams, Robert D. Williams and Ronald Young.

Non-resident salesmen granted membership were Charles W. Collins and Stanley Sumer. New affiliate members are Riviera Mortgage Service, Home Bank and Leonard A. Freeland Co.

Mrs. Louis Lanzer, president of the Torrance League of Women Voters, received special recognition on behalf of the League. Members of the League spent many hours tracing the history of Torrance, interviewing older residents, and gathering materials for the book.

MRS. ROSE SAUNDERS, public information officer for the school district, began work on the publication before she joined the school staff. A former journalist, Mrs. Saunders supervised the final writing and editing of the book.

Others who were honored included Harry Dolley, first official treasurer of Torrance and a long time resident; William A. "Dick" Felker, another pioneer resident and founder of Felker Manufacturing Co.; and Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, librarian for the city from 1937 until she retired in 1961.

Richard R. "Dick" Smith, who first came to Torrance in 1912 as superintendent of the Union Tool Co. (now a division of Arco Steel Corp.), also received a special award.

All of the pioneers were cited for their leadership and their willingness to talk about the past with members of the committee writing the "History of Torrance."

THE SPECIAL awards also were given to Arthur L. "Art" Reeves, president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and an executive for the Dominguez Water Co., the Torrance Chamber and the Dominguez Water Co. supplied much of the information which found its way into the book.

North American Employees In Largest Crusade Gift

North American Aviation employees, with a gift of \$433,380, have made the largest single contribution to date to United Crusade, Harry Bardt, campaign chairman announced this week.

This gift through North American employees "Donate Once Club," represents a 40 per cent increase over last

Glen Pfeil, publisher of the Press-Herald, also was cited for his cooperation with the committee. Pfeil opened the files of the Press-Herald for the committee and loaned numerous pictures of both early and recent days of Torrance.

All nine guests received copies of the publication. Additional copies were marked for distribution for the city's libraries—an effort by the schools to see that all citizens of the community can read the story of Torrance, written as Torrance residents lived it.

year when contributions were made to United Way and the American Red Cross. Bardt noted that this contribution on behalf of North American employees living in the Crusade Area will go to support 310 United Way services and 13 chapters of the American Red Cross, that comprise the first United Crusade appeal.

COUNT MARCO SAYS

Hawaiians Get Message About Feminine Attire

HONOLULU—The Hawaiians have done it. After my last visit they must have awakened to the realization—as have those who used to wear basic black and pearls—that my advice is the best.

The muu muu has now become a thing of classic beauty, a gown that almost every woman can wear without looking outlandish and sloppy.

On my former visits to that garden of paradise I remarked that tourists there looked almost as horrifying as the creatures infesting the Los Angeles area.

To my shocked eye, as I wrote, "It seems the first thing a female tourist does upon disembarking in Honolulu is to divest herself of civilized dresses and dump herself head first into a cheap looking, overcolored bedsheet called a muu muu."

I further remarked that only the native islanders could wear the muu muu because only they had the carriage, dignity and flair for it.

"If muu mus are going to stay," I wrote, "there will have to be changes in fabric, color and style." These have come about.

Thanks again, I'm sure, to my influence.

Today even the female refugees from Los Angeles can't seem to spoil the beautiful movement of women in long dresses, day and night.

It's like viewing "Gone With the Wind" everyday in living color. I suggest that this style trend be adapted by every area with a warm climate, especially Southern California, Arizona and Texas.

Shortie muu mus are practical. Shortie muu mus are practical, being used mainly around the house for cleaning purposes. As dresses, of a sort, they are at least better than shorts, capris and slacks.

The newly designed long muu muu feature fullness that is styled into the garment and not, as before, merely an oversized tent. The colors are less flamboyant and more conservative. Materials are now everything from better cottons to linens and even elegant brocades and Thai silks.

The best thing about it is that women look like women, act like women and are loved as women. Could you ask for more?

With plans for Junior Citizens Day nearly complete, the Pennies photographer asked several persons "What are the benefits of Junior Citizens Day?"

Rita Henry, secretary to the assistant city manager:

"It gives the students who participate a chance to know more about the operation of city government. I think participation in government tends to make them more aware of the city and to make students more civic minded."



Lee Tussing, Junior Citizens manager:

"The biggest thing is that it gives the student a chance to see how city government works. Students come to city hall to pay a water bill, but they never see the inside. Such events as the tour which is planned will give them that inside look."

Allen Luger, South High student mayor:

"Naturally, you learn some of the functions and the composition of city government, and its importance. It sounds very general, but that is what it is. I think it makes you more aware of your position in the community."



Orin P. Johnson, assistant city manager:

"I have noticed considerable interest and perception among the students during this day of governing the city's affairs. I believe the program is a good one because it teaches us as administrators the thoughts of those who will take our places and it teaches the students something of city government."

Mayor Albert Isen:

"It affords an opportunity for high school students to get an intimate and direct exposure to local government which has proven itself most beneficial in inspiring them in their own student governments and promoting a general interest in government at all levels."



Some Early Shopping Is In the Cards

Friday, Nov. 13 is supposed to be an unlucky day. However, it will be a lucky day this year for the 1,426 Christmas Club savers in the Torrance area who will be receiving their checks from Security First National Bank. Savings this year totaled \$188,100.

The Nov. 13 mailing date, according to Security Bank officials, will give Club savers an opportunity to get an early start on their Christmas shopping.

Additionally, the checks will provide a source of ready cash for winter vacations, end of the year expenses such as taxes, insurance and various other needs.

Schools' Participation in 'Rights Week' Shows Gain

The 1964 observance of Bill of Rights Week, Dec. 9 through 15, will include the greatest participation of Los Angeles County public and parochial high schools, junior colleges, colleges and universities in the 24 year history of the annual event, according to Joe Crail, chairman of the Bill of Rights Week Commemoration Committee.

The opening event in the observance will be an art contest, featuring posters by high school students. The entries go on display at the California Museum of Science and Industry, in Exposition Park, on Tuesday, Nov. 17. On the preceding day the posters will be judged by a committee consisting of Elizabeth Franklin, career counselor at the Art Center School, George Dahl, assistant art supervisor for the Los Angeles City Schools

and Sister Anita, art instructor at Immaculate Heart College.

THE POSTERS will be judged on the basis of originality, visual interpretation of the theme, expression and artwork.

In addition to the school observances, courts and religious, civic and governmental groups will also participate in ceremonies honoring the 173rd anniversary of the ratification of the Bill of Rights during the week of Dec. 9 thru 15.

Another highlight of the Bill of Rights Week will be the traditional program before the Los Angeles City Council at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 15, with participants including civic dignitaries and student leaders from local colleges.

Ann Landers Says

Other Marriages Often Are Worse

Dear Ann Landers: I am a man 65 years of age. Three years ago I married a woman 10 years my junior.

I married Agnes for companionship, not to buy her plane tickets to go visit her children and their families. In the last two years she has been away 60 per cent of the time. We have a housekeeper so my meals are prepared and the laundry is done, but I don't like being alone.

For the last five weeks Agnes has been visiting her son and his family. She telephoned last night and asked for more money so she can stay an additional two weeks. An hour later her son's wife called and begged me not to send more money but to insist that she come home because they are sick of her. What shall I do?

Dear Stymied: This is no message for YOU to deliver. Dad, your son-in-law should tell his mother it's time she went home and attended to her wifely responsibilities.

In the meantime, have a nice little heart-to-heart talk with Agnes and find out why she has such an itchy foot.

Dear Ann Landers: I went steady with Chet for six months. He is so handsome it makes me bawl to think of what he did to me.

After I pulled him through English, knitted him two sweaters and let him use my car all summer he told me we'd better break up. Why? In case he gets voted King of Winter Carnival he wants a taller girl for his queen.

me if I'd write a book report for him. I said "No." Get one of the tall girls to write one." He called me a rotten sport and said I didn't have any character because I failed him when he needed me.

My dad says Chet's a jerk and I was right to refuse to help him but I feel guilty. What do you say?

TORTURED HEART

Dear Heart: He's not even a jerk—he's a twitch. Don't feel guilty because you've regained your sanity and will no longer let the heel use you. Welcome to the free world, Toots.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope. (C) 1964, Publishers Newspaper Syndicate

